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For: METHODS AND REAGENTS FOR THE DETECTION
OF ANTIBODIES AND ADENOVIRUS

DECISION ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition received on October 3, 2002, to withdraw the holding of abandonment in the above-identified application.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 C.F.R. 1.113 in timely manner to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed February 22, 2002. Which set a shortened statutory period for reply of two (2) months. Accordingly, this application became abandoned April 23, 2002. The notice of abandonment was mailed August 9, 2002.

On October 3, 2002, the office received a communication from the attorney of record. Enclosed was an acknowledgment that the attorney responded to the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed on April 29, 2002 with (4) months of extension of time.

The evidence submitted is sufficient to establish that the petitioners responded to the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed April 29, 2002.

The petition is hereby GRANTED.

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The above application has been completed for release to Technology Center
1648.

The office regrets any inconvenience this may have caused the client.

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